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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:	Brian J. Brown, Michael L. Davis
Application No.:	09/599674
Filed:	June 22, 2000
For:	Improved Longitudinally Flexible Expandable Stent
Examiner:	Paul Prebilit
Group Art Unit:	3738

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Docket No: S63.2N-5605-US03

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136

Petitioners, SciMed Life Systems, Inc., hereby request a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed February 25, 2004. Please charge the petition fee of \$950.00 as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17 and any outstanding fee for extension to our Deposit Account, No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,
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